

# MEAC Mission

To assist the Waukesha County Executive, County Board of Supervisors, County departments, committees and commissions, local communities and citizens, when requested, in the identification and resolution of environmental, social and economic issues that relate to existing, proposed, expanding and new mineral extraction operations.

## WHO CAN YOU CALL ABOUT NONMETALLIC MINING ISSUES IN WAUKESHA COUNTY

Your local aggregate producer and local municipality are a good places to start. For a specific issue contact the following:

- Noise Call your local municipality
- Nonmetallic Mine Reclamation Waukesha County Department of Parks & Land Use - Land Resources Division (262) 896-8308
- Conditional Use Permitting Issues Call your local municipality or Waukesha County Department of Parks & Land Use - Planning and Zoning Division (262) 548-7790
- Water Discharge to Waterways DNR (262) 574-2100
- Air Quality DNR (262) 574-2100
- Groundwater/Wells DNR (262) 574-2100
- Impact to Wetlands/Navigable Waterways DNR (262) 574-2136 (southern Waukesha County)  
DNR (262) 574-2137 (northern Waukesha County)

For more information on nonmetallic mining in Wisconsin, visit the DNR web site:  
[www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/wm/mining/nonmetallic](http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/wm/mining/nonmetallic)

# NONMETALLIC MINING AND AGGREGATE PRODUCTION

in Waukesha County

Compliments of the  
Mineral Extraction Advisory Committee  
of Waukesha County





"Thank you for your interest in mining efforts here in Waukesha County. The MEAC was created to increase public awareness of mining operations in the county, and serve as an impartial moderator between mining operations, neighbors, and local municipalities. Please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Parks and Land Use if you have questions about it."

County Executive  
Dan Vrakas

## MEMBERS OF THE MEAC INCLUDE:

- Citizens
- Local Government Units
- The Mining and Earth Product Producers
- The Mining and Earth Product Consumers

The MEAC meets quarterly at the Waukesha County Administration Center. For more information about MEAC call (262) 896-8300.

This Fact Sheet is Provided to:

- Create awareness of the nonmetallic mineral extraction business
- Provide general information about who to contact regarding certain nonmetallic mining issues
- Provide a suggested issue resolution procedure to be accessed by local units of government and citizens

## WHAT IS NONMETALLIC MINING?

- Nonmetallic mining, is the extraction of sand, gravel and limestone, natural resources found throughout Waukesha County.
- Quarrying is a process of breaking down consolidated rock like dolomite or limestone. The rock is mined locally by breaking the stone away from the quarry face. The broken stone is then processed to meet various specifications.
- The mining of sand and gravel consists of excavating unconsolidated deposits of gravel and sand from the surface or below the water table. Material is excavated with front end loaders, back hoes, draglines or dredges. The material is then screened and crushed to the proper size.

Nonmetallic mining material is essential for the construction of roadways, homes, buildings and bridges with an average of 11 tons/person/year being used.

## Suggested Issue Resolution Process

